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# Council passes on pay increase – for now

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*Staff Reporter*

It appears there will be no remuneration increase for members of Dysart et al council. At least not in the upcoming year.

Councillors' payment has been discussed a few times by council during the past couple of months.

At an October meeting, Councillor Dennis Casey raised the issue of councillors' compensation, noting that Dysart councillors are paid thousands of dollars less than their counterparts in Haliburton County's other lower-tier municipalities.

In Dysart et al, which is the county's most populated municipality, councillors are paid approximately \$14,000 per year. The deputy mayor is paid approximately \$17,000 and the mayor approximately \$25,000.

In Algonquin Highlands, councillors receive approximately \$18,500 in payment, the deputy mayor \$22,000 and the mayor about \$27,000. In Minden Hills, the figures are similar, with councillors paid \$18,000, the deputy mayor \$21,500, and the mayor approximately \$27,000. In Highlands East, councillors are paid approximately \$16,000 per year, the deputy mayor about \$20,000, and the mayor approximately \$24,000.

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**Partridge named county warden**  
Haliburton County named Suzanne Partridge as the new warden on Tuesday, Dec. 12 at the county chambers in Minden. Partridge, deputy mayor of Highlands East, is the first deputy to be named warden of Haliburton County since Bill Davis in 2004. She thanked those in attendance at the ceremony, calling it an "honour." /DARREN LUM Staff



## Public transportation plans pose challenges

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*Staff Reporter*

County councillors talked about public transit options during a Dec. 13 meeting, albeit with some skepticism.

The county's transportation task force, which was formed during a community transportation summit in November of last year, has submitted a business case

for a public transportation system, with a number of model options, to the county.

"The County of Haliburton is not currently serviced by a comprehensive public transportation service," the submission reads. "There are a number of transportation services through local agencies/municipalities available within specific locations and/or to a specific segment of the population. The existing transportation patchwork does not meet the current

needs of all residents within the county.

"A municipal transportation service, provided for all residents and visitors, would have a positive impact on life, work and play within the county."

According to the report, which uses data from the 2016 census, between 20 and 30 per cent of the county's population does not drive, due to age, disability, income or choice.

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# Remuneration likely to return to council table following confusion

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Casey said he thought the low compensation could negatively impact the number of people who might run for council in the future. He and Councillor Susan Norcross were tasked with reviewing compensation.

A proposal was tabled during a November meeting that would have increased the mayor's pay by \$500 a year to approximately \$26,700. The deputy mayor would be paid at 80 per cent of the mayor's salary at approximately \$21,400; and councillors would be paid at 70 per cent of the mayor's salary, at approximately \$18,700.

Casey noted those percentages were based on common benchmarks of 85 per cent for deputies and 75 per cent for councillors.

Dysart et al councillors receive no health benefits, and it was recommended that health spending accounts for councillors, of up to \$2,000 each per annum, be created. This is a system used in some municipalities, and unused medical money goes back into township coffers.

With the recommended pay increase and adoption of personal health accounts, the financial impact would have amounted to an increase of nearly \$38,000 for the year.

After a lengthy discussion, that proposal was ultimately voted down.

A revised proposal on council remuneration came back to the table during a Dec. 18 meeting.

That revised proposal contained two options. One was that the health spending accounts be initiated for the upcoming year, with a remuneration increase phased in over two years: half this coming year, half in 2019. The second option was that the health spending accounts be activated this year, and the increase in remuneration deferred until 2019.

Casey said he'd like to see a third option, where both the creation of the health spending account and increase in remuneration would not come into effect until the next council term.

"I'm just glad this came back," said Deputy Mayor Andrea Roberts. "I think there was an attitude to find a compromise."

The revised proposal included comparisons with additional municipalities – including Trent Lakes, North Kawartha and the Town of Bancroft – and showed that compensation rates for Dysart et al council were by far the lowest.

"We don't need to be paid the highest," Roberts said. "But we also don't need to be paid the lowest."

Casey reiterated that his concern was about the future of the local council.

"We're giving the next council a chance to be on par

with the rest of the county, beginning in 2019," he said. "I'm worried in three or four elections from now, there's going to be nobody stepping up to the plate."

Councillors were asked which option they each preferred. Norcross was the sole councillor to support Option 1, which would have seen the creation of health spending accounts, half of a pay increase initiated for the upcoming year, and half in 2019.

Roberts and councillors Nancy Wood-Roberts and Tammy Donaldson were supportive of Option 2, which would have applied the health spending accounts immediately and seen a pay increase come into effect in 2019.

Casey, Councillor Walt McKechnie and Mayor Murray Fearrey were supportive of Option 3, which would have seen everything deferred to the next council term.

Fearrey had expressed his opposition to an increase in remuneration throughout the process.

Since only one person had supported Option 1, chief administrative officer Tamara Wilbee suggested that council take that option off the table, voting between Option

2 and Option 3. Fearrey requested a recorded vote. Norcross, however, said she didn't support either Option 2 or Option 3. "I don't vote for any of them," she said. "I voted for one."

"Then it's tied, so it's defeated," Fearrey said, meaning council was making no change at all.

"I just shake my head," said Roberts, adding she was stunned at what was happening. "So, good luck to the 2019 councillors."

She expressed dismay to her colleagues.

"I don't understand, you wanted an increase three weeks ago, and now you just voted for nothing . . . that's what you just did," Roberts said.

However, following the meeting, Wilbee indicated she would likely bring another report regarding remuneration back to the council table.

"In hindsight, there were probably too many options on the table to keep the choices clear," Wilbee wrote in an email. "Through that discussion, it seems like there is some interest in establishing something for 2019."

## Danielsen named deputy warden

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Staff Reporter

Algonquin Highlands Deputy Mayor and Ward 2 Councillor Liz Danielsen is set to become the deputy warden of Haliburton County.

Danielsen was the sole member of county council to express interest in the newly created position during a Dec. 14 council meeting.

Earlier in the year, councillors discussed the creation of the position, designed to assist the warden, who is the head of county council. Councillors agreed that in recent years the warden position has evolved to entail more work, including provincial-level advocacy activities through organizations such as the Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus. While a job description for the deputy warden position is still to be drawn up by staff, councillors agreed that the deputy warden position does not mean that whomever holds it is warden-in-waiting.

Danielsen was first elected to Algonquin Highlands council in 2010. Nearing the end of her second term, she also sits on the board of the Rural Ontario Municipal Association.

"I believe I am ready," Danielsen told fellow members of council as she put her name forward. Danielsen will be sworn in as deputy warden at a January meeting. She will be paid an additional \$1,000 at the upper tier level for fulfilling the role, and councillors also agreed to increase the annual remuneration for the warden position by \$1,000.

County council is comprised of the mayors and deputy mayors of each of Haliburton County's four lower-tier municipalities. County councillors are compensated both at the lower-tier and upper-tier level. Remuneration for councillors at the lower-tier level varies by municipality

by between about \$14,000 and \$18,500; for deputy mayors between about \$17,000 and \$22,000; and mayors between about \$24,000 and \$27,000.

At the upper-tier, a base salary plus per diem and mileage payments add an additional \$10,000 to \$13,000 in compensation in most cases, closer to \$20,000 for whom-ever is warden for the year. During last week's meeting, there was also a conversation about increasing compensation for all members of county council, although the idea didn't fly.

"I'll start off, I'm in the cheapest in the group," said Dysart et al Mayor Murray Fearrey, who thought county councillors' compensation was fine where it was.

Fearrey said remuneration was in line with similar communities, such as Frontenac and Peterborough counties, other places where being a municipal councillor is essentially considered a part-time role. "There's no magic bullet for deciding what councillors are worth," Fearrey said.

Algonquin Highlands Mayor Carol Moffatt was in favour of remuneration increase across the board. "I think we need to," she said. Moffatt pointed out that some councillors contribute more than others, and that how much time councillors dedicate to the role is really up to them.

"There can't be any fairness across the board," she said.

"It's difficult to give yourselves a raise," said Dysart et al Deputy Mayor Andrea Roberts.

"I honestly feel like I'm fairly compensated, here," Roberts said, referring to the county table. Roberts and other members of Dysart et al council have been advocating for an increase in council remuneration in that municipality. While it has the largest population, councillors and the deputy mayor in Dysart are paid thousands of dollars less than their counterparts in the county's other townships. The mayor's remuneration is in line with that of other mayors.

Ultimately, councillors decided to leave compensation for the bulk of county council where it is. Councillors also receive whatever yearly cost-of-living increase is given to staff members.

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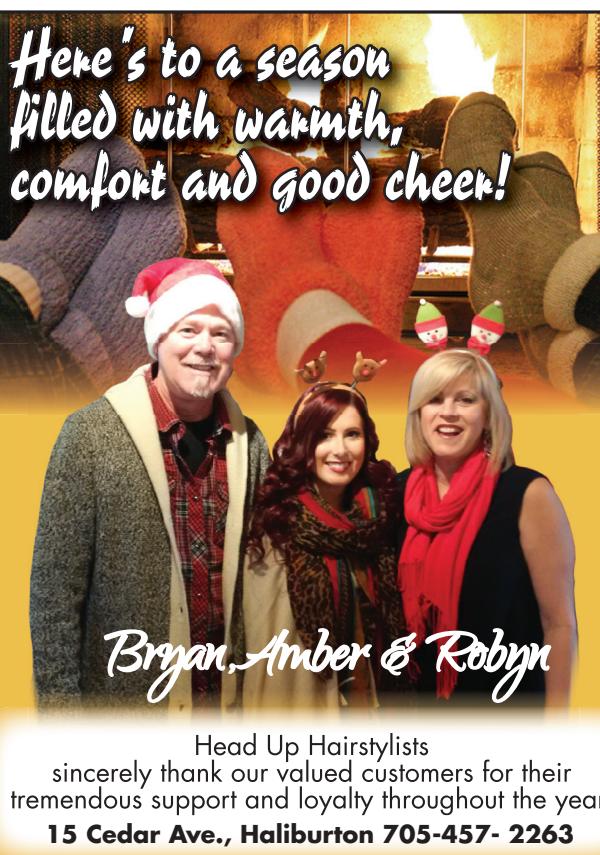


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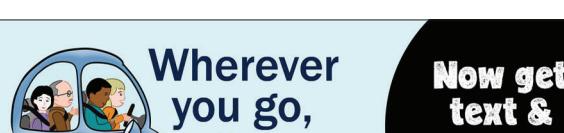
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# Councillors identify barriers to transit system

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"The goal of most transportation is to access desired services and activities (e.g. work, school, shopping, recreation, healthcare)," the report from the task force continues.

"In a rural community, it is easy to equate transportation to driving a car. Distances between destinations are great, and for most people, getting into a personal vehicle is the way they get around. However, in a community of any size, a multi-modal transportation system ensures that everyone, including non-drivers, have viable transportation options. A well planned transportation system can also help to reduce congestion and wear on roads and also reduces air pollution from passenger vehicles. An affordable transportation service can also help to reduce transportation budgets for government-funded agencies."

One option would use school buses, during the hours they are not being used transporting students to and from school, and offer five fixed routes throughout the county, at fixed times, for a fixed fare. According to the submission, operating such a service five days a week would cost approximately \$500,000 a year.

A booked, shared ride service would use one or two smaller, accessible passenger vehicles, that would travel flexible routes that would vary by day, depending on whom has booked rides. A scheduler would design each day's route.

Costed out on the basis of two vehicles travelling 4.5 hours a day, that option would cost about \$250,000 a year for a five-day-a-week service. A similar model using a passenger van would cost about \$190,000 for the year, for service five days a week.

A blended model – using a school bus to run fixed routes between Minden and Haliburton, and smaller passenger vehicle to run flexible routes, with passengers transferring between the two – would cost approximately \$315,000 to operate five days a week.

"We are not going to be able to go door-to-door and pick everybody up, and that's something the task force has acknowledged," county planner Charley White told councillors. Any system would involve the establishment of pickup points.

Funding is available for municipalities to assist with transportation services. Under the Ontario Dedicated Gas Tax Funds for Public Transportation Program, municipalities can receive up to 75 per cent of the amount they spend on transit from the province's gas tax fund. However, that program does not fund pilot projects. White told councillors the county would qualify a new \$30 million funding program from the MTO, geared

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— Murray Fearrey  
Dysart et al Mayor

toward under-serviced and rural municipalities, and may be able to get some startup funding that way.

Algonquin Highlands Mayor Carol Moffatt had many questions regarding the proposal from the transportation task force.

"I think this is a really big conversation, and I think it's important to ask the question now," Moffatt said.

Moffatt noted that a system running from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. would not be of much help to those trying to get to work. She also had concerns around public safety – particularly that of youth and seniors – at pick-up points.

"How do we ensure pick-up points are safe?" Moffatt asked, noting that the county would have to face issues of liability.

"That, again, would have to be worked out," White said. "Not a perfect system."

While routes to Dorset had been included in some of the proposed models, Moffatt noted that the majority of residents travel to Huntsville, not Minden or Haliburton, for various needs. She also had questions around exactly how a system that involved booking rides would work. Would people book their medical appointments first, then their bus rides, or vice versa? What about cancellations?

"My concern is that there are some very real logistical barriers," Moffatt said.

The county has attempted transportation in the past, although not for many years. Its expansive geography and sparse population provide a challenge.

Dysart et al Mayor Murray Fearrey reiterated how far spread out the county's communities are.

"It's easy to identify needs, I can tell you that, but solutions are a lot tougher," he said.

Fearrey suggested that, if getting people to and from work was to be the main goal of a transportation service, then perhaps designing one that offered rides at the beginning and end of the standard workday made sense.

"I know all public transportation systems operate at a loss," said Dysart et

al Deputy Mayor Andrea Roberts. Roberts said she was wondering where the threshold was; how much money council would be willing to spend on a service.

"There will be a loss," said county chief administrative officer Mike Rutter. "It is a reality."

Rutter said the introduction of a public transportation system in Haliburton County represented a cultural shift.

"There are cultural changes," Rutter said. "It is a really different culture than we are used to up here."

Minden Hills Mayor Brent Devolin, noting that more and more younger people do not own their own vehicles, said it was clear there is a demand for public

transit in the community.

"The public has an appetite, we have to do it," Devolin said.

Algonquin Highlands Deputy Mayor Liz Danielsen said that while a transportation service may work for Minden Hills and Dysart, which house the county's main communities, she wasn't so sure it would be effective in the farther flung and more rural municipalities.

"I just don't see it being a successful program for places like Highlands East and Algonquin Highlands," Danielsen said.

A staff report regarding the creation of a transportation model will come back to council.

## Giving tradition

Tory Hill's Brooke Fockler, 7, holds up the collection boot used for the monetary donations collected by the Haliburton Fire Department. From left, volunteer firefighters Julian Barry, Mike Fearrey and Gord Divell. The collections were part of the annual Christmas toy drive on Saturday, Dec. 9 at Todd's Independent Grocer in Haliburton. /DARREN LUM Staff



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# Council hears suggestions for creation of affordable housing

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Staff Reporter

There are a variety of ways Haliburton County could help spur the development of affordable housing, county councillors heard last week.

Hope Lee, manager of housing for the City of Kawartha Lakes, which is Haliburton County's social services and Christine Pacini, a founding consultant with SHS Consulting, a Richmond Hills-based firm specializing in affordable housing, presented councillors with an affordable housing framework during their Dec. 13 meeting.

As a report from the consulting firm explains, "Low and moderate income households are those households with incomes falling at or below the 60th income percentile. The affordable house price for households in the 60th income percentile in the City of Kawartha Lakes is \$321,314 and the affordable rent is \$1,014. The affordable house price is lower than the average house price in Kawartha Lakes in 2017 of \$390,000. According to CMHC [the Canadian Mortgage and Housing Corporation], the average market rent for Kawartha Lakes for October 2016 was \$987, which is lower than the affordable rent based on the 60th income percentile. As such, affordable housing thresholds for 2017 are a house price of \$321,314 and monthly rent of \$987. The City of Kawartha Lakes and the County of Haliburton are considered one regional market. As such, these are the affordable housing thresholds for the county as well."

"I will preface this by saying it sounds

high, but this would be the absolute maximum," Pacini told councillors.

Affordable home ownership is considered the least expensive of: accommodation costs that do not exceed 30 per cent of an annual household income for low and moderate households incomes, or housing for which the purchase price is at least 10 per cent below the average purchase price of a resale market unit in the regional market area.

Affordable rent is considered the least expensive of: a unit for which rent does not exceed 30 per cent of gross annual income for low and moderate household incomes, or a unit for which rent is at or below the average market rent for the regional market.

According to the report, 25 per cent of households in Haliburton County are facing affordability issues, meaning those households spend more than 30 per cent of their gross annual income on housing. Half of renters in the county spend more than a third of their gross annual income on rent.

"There's a very limited rental supply in your community," Pacini said, adding this was true of all rental units, not just those considered affordable.

Rental units are something not being constructed much in the county by the private sector, she said.

The framework presents 26 different tools that council might consider to encourage the building of more affordable housing.

Some of these suggestions include the development of policies that require new developments to provide a certain percentage of affordable units; policies that encourage the development of secondary suites [this is something included in

the county's new official plan]; the development of "coach house" dwellings; and alternate building standards for affordable housing projects.

As Pacini explained, this could entail changes such as a reduction in the number of required parking spaces for an affordable housing complex.

"Primarily because a lot of tenants of affordable housing, they don't drive," she said.

For developers of affordable housing, waivers on permit fees and parkland dedication requirements could act as incentive.

Other suggestions include the donation of surplus municipal land for housing projects, or the sale of municipal land below market value for the purpose; developing a master inventory of surplus municipal land that could be used for housing and sharing that information with developers; the creation of a housing reserve fund; and exploring the opportunities of creating community hubs in partnership with community agencies, non-profit housing providers and government agencies.

Another suggestion is that agreements be struck with developments' owners to

keep rents affordable.

"Talking to private developers, the issue is uncertainty," said Dysart et al Mayor Murray Fearrey. "They don't know if their hydro is going to go up 20 per cent in three years."

Dysart et al Deputy Mayor Andrea Roberts said she'd asked a local builder why he didn't construct rental unit buildings.

"He said the economics aren't there, so how do you sell that to the private sector?" Roberts said.

Pacini said that by using some of the tools in the framework, municipalities could lower the cost of construction projects for builders.

Minden Hills Mayor Brent Devolin said working with the private sector on affordable housing would be a necessity that may require incentives from upper levels of government.

"The public side of it can never do this, and they're going to have to create a program for the private side," Devolin said.

As Minden Hills council prepares to update the township's official plan, Devolin said that in the future, developers in the township will be required to provide a certain ratio of affordable units.



## Century 21 gives back

The Century 21 Granite Realty Group Inc. owners Andrew and Anne Hodgson present a \$500 cheque, as part of an annual donation made by real estate agents and staff to the 4Cs food bank's David Ogilvie on Tuesday, Dec. 5 in front of the group's Haliburton office. Century 21's Brandon Nimigon, at back, left, administrator Ann Moulton, realtors Karen Nimigon, Mark Dennys, Lee Gauthier and Drew Bishop were in attendance for the presentation for the donation, which will help the food bank with its Christmas vouchers given to residents in need. Last year there were 200 vouchers given. Hodgson challenges other local businesses to support the food bank, particularly during the Christmas season. He said this is the sixth year the business has donated. /DARREN LUM Staff

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Christian Eriksson, area manager at Enterprise Rent-A-Car; Alison McGahey senior customer service representative at Enterprise Rent-A-Car; Mark Quinnell, branch manager of Enterprise Rent-A-Car; Paul Cross, owner of Carstar Haliburton and Carstar Lindsay; and Sean Hartin, general manager of Carstar Haliburton pictured outside the new Enterprise Rent-A-Car branch on Industrial Park Road in Haliburton. /OLIVIA ROBINSON Special to the Echo



## Enterprise Rent-A-Car pulls into Haliburton

OLIVIA ROBINSON

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Don't have car insurance? Need a four-wheel drive for the weekend? Looking for a pick-up truck to move that living room set into the cottage? Until recently, your plans to rent a car in Haliburton would've come to a screeching halt.

Two weeks ago, Enterprise Rent-A-Car opened for business at the Carstar on Industrial Park Road.

Previously, residents had to travel as far as Bancroft or Lindsay to rent a vehicle.

For months, Paul Cross, owner of Carstar's Haliburton and Lindsay branches, said people inquired at Carstar as to when vehicles would be available for rent.

"The natural partnership for me was with Enterprise Rent-A-Car," he said. Cross said that collision repair centres and car rental companies are often associated with one another.

Since Enterprise Rent-A-Car first opened, its business has been driven by word-of-mouth. Within the first 10 days of opening, Enterprise Rent-A-Car has tripled the size of its fleet just to keep up with customer demand.

"The big thing for us is either all-drive or something with snow tires. Something big and heavy on the road," said Mark Quinnell, branch manager of Enterprise Rent-A-Car. Quinnell said customers are primarily renting larger vehicles, like SUVs and pickup trucks because of the inclement weather.

"Around here, you know how the

sideroads are – they're all hills and dirt," said Alison McGahey, senior customer service representative at Enterprise Rent-A-Car. "We want to make sure our customers are safe and comfortable."

Quinnell is hopeful that they will increase the size of the fleet come cottaging season.

Aside from car rentals, McGahey noted that Enterprise Rent-A-Car's services will also benefit travellers coming from the Stanhope Municipal Airport.

"There are people who fly in and need a car, and it's great because we can pick them up," said McGahey.

Quinnell says that the new venture between Carstar and Enterprise Rent-A-Car in Haliburton streamlines the car rental process for customers.

"We have a specialist for the repair of the vehicle and a specialist for the rental car side of things," said Quinnell. "It's a pretty symbiotic relationship – they rely on us and we rely on them."

Christian Eriksson, area manager of Enterprise Rent-A-Car said he's hopeful that the business will grow to sustain hiring a local employee. For him, opening an Enterprise Rent-A-Car branch in Haliburton is much more than a business venture.

"In the spring we want to attach ourselves to a local charity and not just be a car rental provider, but a part of the community," Eriksson said.

The new Enterprise Rent-A-Car is located at the Carstar in Haliburton at 154 Industrial Park Rd. and open Monday to Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Rentals can be made online at [www.enterprise.ca](http://www.enterprise.ca), or by calling 705-457-2360.

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## Thirty-eight students withdraw from classes at HSAD in fall semester

OLIVIA ROBINSON

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Haliburton School of Art and Design has confirmed that over one-third of its students have withdrawn from the college since the start of the fall semester.

The spike in withdrawals follows a five-week-long strike caused by a labour dispute between Ontario college instructors and the colleges. The strike was the longest in Ontario college history, affecting 24 colleges and more than 500,000 students.

"Students have been working hard to refocus and they are doing a good job on this front," said Sandra Dupret in an email to the *Haliburton Echo*. Dupret is the dean and principal of HSAD.

Laura Copeland, communications officer at Fleming College confirmed that in total 743 students withdrew from Fleming College. At the start of the semester, HSAD's enrolment sat at 106, but by Dec. 15, 38 students had withdrawn from their studies.

Since classes resumed on Nov. 21, HSAD students are starting to adjust to life back at school.

"There was initially some anxiety about catching up, which seems to have lessened," said Dupret.

Because of the unique nature of Fleming College's programs, Dupret said that it's difficult to gauge how many students will re-enroll.

"A few students left our one-year diploma programs, but are coming this winter to take a certificate program instead," she said.

All students who withdrew from the program received a refund for their tuition fees, however the fees vary by program.

Dec. 16 marked HSAD's annual end-of-semester student show, featuring art ranging from painting and drawing, to blacksmithing and ceramics.

The show allowed students to showcase their work from when the semester was in session as well as other pieces that were crafted while the strike was ongoing.

HSAD classes will run until Dec. 22 and resume on Jan. 2 until Jan. 8. The winter semester will begin on Jan. 15 and end one week later than usual on April 27.

### Deceased adult and pet found following Minden fire

On Dec. 16, shortly after 7:30 a.m., members of the Haliburton Highlands detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police and the Minden Hills Fire Department responded to a structure fire on Highway 35 north of Nye Lane south of Minden. Upon arrival the structure was fully engulfed in flames.

After extinguishing the fire an adult

person and a pet were located deceased in the structure. No other information is available at this time pending further examination of the remains. The OPP's crime unit, Office of the Fire Marshal, and the Office of the Chief Coroner are investigating. The cause of the fire remains under investigation.

Submitted by the OPP

# points of view



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*Forever in our memories: Creighton Fair*

## Holiday spirit

**T**HIS IS OUR last news-paper before Christmas and includes our annual Season's Greetings special sec-tion. Each year, we assemble this supplement trying to cap-ture some of what makes the holidays special both locally and in a wider sense.

For many, Christmas is most strongly felt in a spiritual way. For others, it is more symbolic or cultural than strictly reli-gious. And there are many who do not celebrate this holiday, mark-ing other occasions as sacred or spe-cial. Over the years, we've written arti-cles about all of these aspects.

What is present each year during the holidays is an outpouring of love and caring.

Local restau-rants host free din-ners, opening their doors to anyone who might need some warmth and friend-ship. Charities take the oppor-tunity to rally donors, who in turn use their own strong feel-ings of compassion to help. The food banks organize Christmas baskets and toy giveaways. The firefighters and police officers give their time to collect items at the local grocery stores. The list goes on.

For one of our stories this year, I sat down with four women living in two of our county's long-term care facil-ties to talk to them about their Christmas memories from the

1920s, '30s and '40s.

These women recounted the holidays of their childhood, typically a time of intense aust-erity as most of them grew up in the Great Depression, as some of the most joyous times of their lives.

They remembered being tucked into bed by their par-ents, waking up to a special something under the Christmas tree, making plum pudding with their grandmother or sing-ing *Here Comes Santa Claus* with a beloved sibling.

They remembered dancing and singing, love and happiness.

One woman said Christmas for her was a time to open the doors to her home to welcome a stranger - someone who was down on their luck or looking for a kind face. She observed this tra-dition during the holidays espe-cially because it was a time to reaffirm the tenets of her faith and demonstrate the impor-tance of caring for one's neigh-bour.

While the holidays mean dif-ferent things to each of us, our various traditions tend to focus on the best humanity has to offer – being generous, loving, kind and welcoming. Doing things for others, giving of our-selves and remembering to enjoy the incredible good for-tune we all have to be alive and in the presence of one another.

## Editorial

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## Cut and dried

**A** FEW WEEKS BEFORE Dec. 25 it was up to Alice to make a Christmas for her young son Paul. When you're four years old you believe Santa will come to your house with a great big sack of toys so that in the morning some of them will be waiting for you under the Christmas tree.

If that house is a small, not-very-warm one on a side-road, you know Santa will still be able to find it. After all, he is Santa, right?

Being an adult, Alice knew life wasn't always as depicted on television. But she was determined to make a happy Christ-mas experience for Paul. The first step was acquiring a Christmas tree.

Thirty-five dollars might not seem like much, but to Alice it rep-resented food and per-haps even a small store-bought gift. So there was no possibility she would be spending that money on an evergreen. How-ever living in the country meant she could grab her saw and look for a tree along the side of the road.

Once Alice found and harvested that tree, she managed to get it on the roof of her car, tied it down and drove home. Placing it in the stand by herself was challeng-ing but she did it. She even made sure the tree stand was filled with water as she remembered from her own childhood. Then why, Alice had wondered, was the tree losing so many needles? Too late she realized she should have cut the trunk a second time before placing it in the water. Four-year-olds like to gaze at and touch their Christmas trees. A lot. So a steady stream of dry needles cascaded regularly to the floor. Lesson learned for Alice.

It was one she repeated to Paul many years later. He, Emma his wife and Alice were sitting in her son's cosy living room. It was the Christmas season once again and Alice was admiring their tree. Ornaments old and new gleamed and sparkled in the soft multi-coloured glow of light. When she complimented them on the tree, Paul cautioned her not to touch it. Emma rolled her eyes. Casting a quizzical look Paul's way, Alice waited.

Paul explained that the current tree

arrangement was in fact its third incarna-tion as part of the Christmas décor. Paul and Emma had put the tree up, added lights, stepped back for a good look only to realize it leaned crookedly. So they had started over and on the second try, succeeded. But not before re-cutting the trunk so it could absorb water. They then felt pretty proud of themselves. A straight tree, lots of water in the stand and generally a great joint effort by hus-band and wife.

That night Sammy the cat decided he really liked the Christmas tree. While Paul and Emma slept under their warm blankets, Sammy thought he was a mountain lion and down came the tree.

In the morning it was stretched out on the floor, ornaments scattered and water spilled. For the third time they stood the tree in the stand but this time Paul added support wires along with the ornaments.

It was only later when the water in the tree stand stayed the same that they realized they should have re-cut the trunk. However they decided to leave the tree as-is rather than re-do it for a fourth time. It still looked wonderful though they wondered how bare it might be by Christmas Day.

Now as the three of them munched shortbread and sipped eggnog, Alice told a different tree and water story.

She had become very conscientious about watering her Christmas tree. But the down side was that now tender new green shoots appeared at the end of each branch as it stood tall and proud in her living room. It was like the tree came alive and started to grow and thrive there in her home. But it couldn't stay there all winter.

Every year when she had to drag it outside and lean it against her fence in minus 20 degree weather, Alice felt like a murderer. The delicate little green sprouts were doomed and she could almost hear them crying out to her as she walked back indoors.

So maybe, she suggested, reaching for another shortbread, maybe an artificial tree isn't so bad after all.



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by Darren Lum

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# points of view

## Fruit cake

**T**HIS PROBABLY comes as no surprise to anyone but, over the years, certain people have suggested I have a problem. Others have even gone so far as to say I have an addiction; while others still have simply referred to it as substance abuse. Those last two characterizations are untrue.

I can quit eating Christmas fruit cake any time I want.

Not that it's anyone's business but I've been clean for eight days now – provided you discount a few delicious crumbs in my beard.

Having said that, I will concede that some of the things I do might signal addiction to those who are looking for it.

In my defence, I say there are many reasons for a person to hug a Shriner who is sitting at a table inside the supermarket. For one thing, a Shriner casts no judgment upon a person who is trying to negotiate buying Christmas fruit cake in bulk.

Also, have you not noticed those adorable hats?

Jenn also pointed out that I get a bit testy when the last of the Shriner's Christmas cake is gone.

Maybe, but what she failed to note was I get over it after interrogating the dogs and just two days of tearing the cupboards apart. Or that I often quit cold turkey on Boxing Day, so long as we have cranberry sauce.

Meanwhile, she spent last Saturday dusting bookshelves and watching educational television. So I ask you, who really has the problem?

Look, if I had a problem would I have been able to resist the urge to run out to the grocery store so that I might score a bit more cake from Paul, John or Ron, my Shriner

friends?

Again, Jenn counters with the fact that it's odd that we are all so familiar with each other. Or that I once considered joining the Shriners, but quickly gave up on the idea when I was told they don't get free Christmas cake.

The truth is, like many of you, I enjoy Christmas cake recreationally and responsibly. Call me a wild man but, along with a little coffee or tea, I find a slice of Christmas cake helps take the edge off of life during the holiday season. It makes listening to all those Christmas songs released by rock stars a whole lot easier. Put that way, can you really blame a person for indulging in amounts far more than recommended by the Canada Food Guide?

Does anyone get on Santa's case for eating an unhealthy amount of milk and cookies? I thought not.

So, once more, let me categorically state, I don't need it. I just like it.

Honestly, I only partake of Christmas fruit cake in December. During the rest of the year, I occasionally dabble in softer cakes such as vanilla or chocolate. But, again, I can quit at any time – except on my birthday in March. Then, I go on a real binge.

Look, it's not like I'm robbing cake sections, making pilgrimages to Linkert's Bakery or showing up at strange Christmas parties. I don't even hug Shriners in the off season anymore.

In fact, I was just about done with Christmas fruit cake for the year when Jenn brought home an excellent cake from a source we'll call Eleanor C., a woman who makes the kind of Christmas fruit cakes that would make any person with taste buds beg for more. Jenn never even liked Christmas fruit cake until I got her to try some of Eleanor's.

Now, at least she understands me a little better. And while she has not yet acquired a taste for Christmas fruit cake to rival my own, she sees how a person could, theoretically, lose a bit of self-control around it at times.

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## Loon Tales

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## pic of the past

**H**aliburton Lake (formerly called Crooked Lake). In 1942 there were only a few cottages on the lake. Among the few was Bill Gregory's camp. His place was in the entrance to the portage to Percy Lake. Nearby was the Gordon Point. Lockhart Gordon bought a lot of land in Harburn Township from the Canadian Land and Emigration Co. This is how his son Tom Gordon was able to build his cottages opposite the small island. There was the home of Bert and Eileen Curry near Fort Irwin. Among the very earliest people to live on the lake were Jack and Liz Bowen.

The 1942 cottage of Clayton and Phyllis Hodgson was built by Tom and Bill Roberts. Because of Bill's deafness, the two men communicated by writing on pieces of lumber. Many years later some of this writing was discovered by Clarence and Neil Howe who were doing some renovations on the cottage.

All of the materials for the Hodgson cottage were transported by Jack Bowen's large raft from Fort Irwin to the sandy point near the north end of the Lake. The Harburn Road ended at Fort Irwin at that time.

As children we would row one of our punts across the lake to the eastern shore which is opposite west bay. We would swim



and explore up and down that long beach. What we discovered were the large stumps of the white pine trees.

It was the dam at Oblong that killed these once beautiful trees. We were privileged to see those magnificent stumps before they all disappeared. My sisters Margaret and Anna are in the photo.

Submitted by Tom Hodgson of Oshawa

## letters to the editor

## Overcoming barriers together

To the Editor,

The Aging Well Committee of Haliburton County would like to thank the community and politicians for sharing in our journey to create an Age Friendly Master Plan for Haliburton County. We all share in the effort to create a safe and supportive environment for children, youth, busy adults and seniors.

Life is busy and we have much to learn and share with one another. Working together we can overcome barriers and put much needed supports in place. Please share the journey with those around

you. Let us enrich the lives of children in our community and consider the needs of the less fortunate as well as seniors in need of help or transportation in the days ahead. Winter can be very difficult and isolating. Everything we do can make a difference. The Aging Well Committee would like to thank you for your support and we wish everyone a safe, happy, healthy and peaceful holiday season. We count our blessings.

The Aging Well Committee of Haliburton County

## The Birth of the Babe

Who is that babe who gently lay  
oh so softly on the hay?

Just the Christ of Virgin birth

the Son of God come down to earth.

Why does that star there shine so bright?

Why it guides the shepherds through the night

to the manger where he lay

so to worship him at break of day.

What do the wise men carry there?

What is the treasure that they bear?

Why, it's gold and frankincense and myrrh

for that little babe so pure.

and why did the angels sing so sweet?

Because they sang at Jesus' feet

caroling a hymn of love divine

showing the world a joy sublime.

When will we sit at Jesus' feet?

When will we reach the mercy seat?

When will we get that joy divine?

Well you can get it anytime!

Yes, if you would like your life complete  
just lay your burden at Jesus' feet  
and ask forgiveness as the angels sing

and that star will lead you to meet the king.

If you want the gifts the wise men bring

If you want to hear the angels sing  
just believe in God and follow that star  
and he will be with you wherever you are.

Ev Stata, 2001

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### Santa visits Rotary event

Haliburton's William Brown, 3, listens to Santa. Besides Santa, the free event included gift bags for children, skating, live music by Jeff Moulton, games, prizes, pizza and refreshments. / DARREN LUM Staff



### Catching cash

On Dec. 13, representatives from the groups of Canoe FM, Haliburton Highlands Resource Centre, and the Haliburton Highlands Outdoor Association came together at Canoe FM Radio Hall to officially receive funds from the Catch the Ace lottery. From left, Bob Styles, Roxanne Casey, Ron Evans, Dennis Casey, Larry Hewitt, and Rusty Rustenburg hold cheques with a combined total of \$15,112. The money will go to Canoe FM (30 per cent), the Haliburton Highlands Resource Centre (20 per cent), and the Haliburton Highlands Outdoor Association (50 per cent). /OLIVIA ROBINSON Special to the Echo

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# Volleyball team still optimistic on season

DARREN LUM

Staff Reporter

There was a lot to cheer about for the Red Hawks senior girls' volleyball team after a fourth place finish at the exhibition Kawartha Girls Volleyball League tournament this past Wednesday. Haliburton finished fourth of six teams, losing two very close matches to the top two schools, splitting one and winning two best-of-two matches.

Team coach Dan Gimon acknowledges the team had the potential to finish higher, but still loved what he saw from his entire team.

This tournament result is not a concern for Gimon because at this point in the season it's about getting his players competitive playing experience in game situations.

He was happy with the team's performance against the bigger schools such as the eventual tournament winner I. E. Weldon (20-25 and 23-25) and second place Fenelon Falls Falcons (22-25 and 22-25).

Gimon said the team focus is on minimizing mistakes.

"I always tell the girls make them earn the point rather than give them a point. A missed serve is a gimmie for the other team," he said.

Another aspect is to work on passing precision.

Against the tournament third place Lindsay Collegiate Vocational Institute Spartans, the Hawks split their match (25-23 and 19-25).

Although the Hawks finished the tournament strongly by beating the Titans of St. Thomas 2-0 (25-23 and 27-25), Gimon believes his team had challenges with play-

ing an opponent of lower calibre.

"Honestly, we should dominate them. Volleyball, you've probably heard before, is a very mental game and even when I played, you tend to drop your level to your opponent. Against the AA and AAA teams we raised our games and against the weaker teams we tend to drop our games," he said, referring also to the Brock High School win (25-19 and 25-18). "That's another thing we need to work on is our focus and maintaining our level no matter what team we are playing. But I'm pleased with the way the girls did. We're getting more experience and getting everybody in ... I don't think fourth is indicative of how we're going to end up."

Playing much of his bench was part of the plan this tournament.

They responded with quality execution and demonstrated great skill at the net and overall court play.

Gimon acknowledges the challenge with limited playing time.

"When you don't play a whole lot and you get on the court you're nervous and not confident and not sure where you're supposed to be at times. That's when I tell the other girls to help them out so they're getting more experience and they're going to know where they're supposed to be," he said.

The team's only setter, Arden Harrop, was busy, playing every match until the final one against the Titans.

Gimon replaced her with Natalya Gimon to start against the Titans of St. Thomas.

"[Playing] 10 sets is a lot for her and she tends to get frustrated because I tell the girls to get the pass right to her, but she's hustling. She logs a lot of miles when she's setting. We gave her a break and put 'Nattie' out there," he said, referring to Natalya



The Red Hawks senior girls' volleyball team showed their potential with glimpses of brilliance at a Kawartha High School Volleyball League exhibition tournament on Wednesday, Dec. 13 in Haliburton. The team finished fourth of six teams, narrowly losing to the top two teams. /DARREN LUM Staff

Gimon.

Natalya was a standout with several points in every match either won on her serve or from her jump spike, including digging many balls given up by the opponents for points. Also, Emma Scheffee was solid and consistent throughout the tournament. Dakota Macdonald had standout tournament, scoring important points with her serving efficiency and ability to pass with precision. Other notable play was Ali Paul, who excelled in all areas.

He said Harrop has shown great grit, determination in games and in practice. Gimon said her work ethic has paid off with

her development, which included learning how to back set to spread the offence.

Kristie Clements impressed the coach this tournament with her play and development, building her confidence.

"She was going after balls and she was hitting. She got some good hits and blocks. You could tell by her face she was pleased by her playing [today]," she said.

Gimon knows his team can improve, but understands it's a process of practice.

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# Hawks rebound from home opener loss

DARREN LUM

Staff Reporter

After a close loss to the Fenelon Falls Falcons a week earlier in Haliburton, the Red Hawks senior basketball team responded on Tuesday, Dec. 12 with a resounding 53-33 win over the Titans of St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Secondary School.

It was a statement game, coach Paul Longo said.

"For us this is a huge game because this is a single A game and means something for seeding in play-offs. We're allowed to qualify two A teams out of the [Kawartha] west division. A 20 point win today is a big deal especially when we go down and play them after Christmas," he said.

There are three A teams in Kawartha West: HHSS, St. Thomas and Brock High School. In the entire Kawartha League there are nine A teams.

The Hawks had just played in the Green and White Senior Boys Basketball Tournament in Peterborough, squaring off against schools such as Lindsay Collegiate Vocational Institute and Collingwood Collegiate Institute. The tournament also included basketball powerhouse Nicholson Catholic College.

Longo said the Hawks played great and although they did not win any of their tournament games, they were competitive with less than 10 points as the average deficit in the losses.

"I was hoping that experience helped with our confidence. I think it did. It showed today. We were poised. We started a little slow, but then we really started to get some great defensive stops and our fast break [offence] worked in the second quarter, third quarter. We had some hot shooters," he said. "I liked our team defence too. Our team defence was really, really strong and we had a nine point lead at the half. I knew we probably could open it up if we kept with the plan ... I just really liked our fight and intensity the whole way through. We didn't get down on ourselves. We stuck

with the plan," he said.

This game started very competitively with the Titans.

Starting guard for the Hawks Sam Longo kept his team in it early with a pair of three-pointers for the team's first six points minutes into the game when no other Hawks player could score. The Hawks had to erase a four point deficit to even the first quarter 14-14, which was made possible because of a successful bank shot by Hawks guard Owen Smith-Patterson to end the quarter.

During the break between quarters, Longo took feedback from his players to implement a change in the offense to help create more space in the key.

"It was a good call by a couple of the guys. They found it was getting too clogged inside. We went to a five-out [five players out of the key] and set some screens. We felt our guards could get to the hoop with some screens and it opened up for [outside] shots," he said.

The Hawks went on to outscore the Titans 15-6 in the second quarter and then continued to outpace the visitors 24 to 13 to close out the game. In the second half, the Titans were shown a glimmer of hope, as they gained some momentum when the Hawks were settling for solo efforts and missing.

Longo settled his team with a time out and had them refocus, returning to a stronger attention on team play. He adds getting his team to work through plays and manage the clock is important and is a work in progress.

"With these guys in high school basketball it's about finding some patience and slowing things down a little bit. We're getting there," he said.

Home court advantage also brings some disadvantages.

The week before against the Falcons when the Hawks only lost by four points 28-24 the home court factored. In this game the Hawks kept their focus and

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Red Hawks forward Coleman Heaven scrambles for a loose ball in front of St. Thomas Titans defender Jacob Thalen during Kawartha High School Basketball League action on Tuesday, Dec. 12 in Haliburton. Heaven and his team cruised to a 53-33 win. Hawks captain Sam Longo led all players with 16 points, which included four three-pointers. Teammate Owen Smith-Patterson finished with 13 points and Titans player Thalen scored 12 in a losing effort./DARREN LUM Staff

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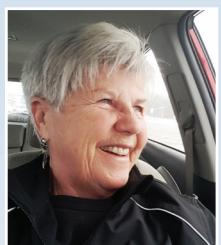
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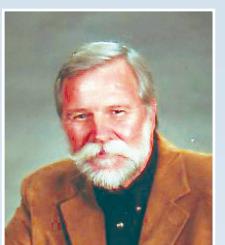
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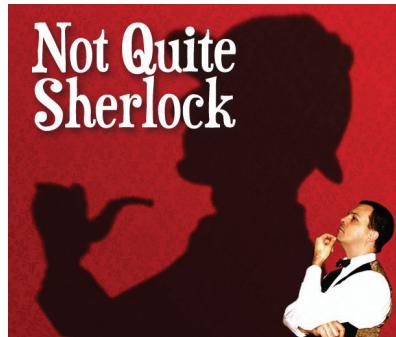
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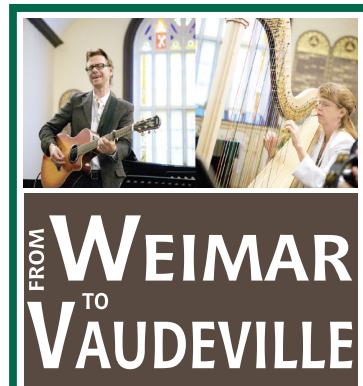
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# Team stays true to game plan

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stayed true to their game plan for the most part.

"We didn't play a good home game ... we lost by four and we wanted to fix that and I think we did. We didn't let the home crowd get into our heads a little bit. We kept poised and under control. I thought Sam and Owen Patterson-Smith had really strong games," he said.

Longo adds the pair didn't turn the ball over very



Red Hawks guard Emily Domerchie watches her shot during Kawartha High School Basketball League action on Tuesday, Dec. 12 in Haliburton. The Hawks cruised to a 53-33 win. Hawks captain Sam Longo led all players with 16 points, which included four three-pointers. Teammate Owen Smith-Patterson finished with 13 points and Titans player Thalen scored 12 in a losing effort./DARREN LUM Staff

much and were effective in distributing the ball.

"They're smart players and it really helped," he said.

The Hawks starting back court of Patterson-Smith and Sam dominated the game.

Their complementary styles, which spreads the defence with Patterson-Smith's inside game and Longo's outside proficiency for the three, lit up the Titans' defence to the tune of a combined 29 points – more than half of the Hawks' point total and nearly more than the Titans.

This game's starting five included Hawks basketball rookie Paydon Mischio, who dominated on the boards at the power forward position like he did in the Green and White tournament.

Against the Falcons, he played a limited role, but seized the opportunity with greater time, pulling down boards, stealing and even scoring six points.

Longo said Kade Bain was also a force inside and all over the court.

"These guys have skyrocketed the last two weeks," he said.

The pair combined for 10 points and several rebounds each.

Zak Shantz, Longo said, is an important player to the team for his energy and intensity.

The week before his absence due to fouling out in the second half was noticeable. Against the Titans, he played composed and disciplined and avoided foul trouble. His intensity is great for the team, Longo said. Shantz finished with four points. Another solid effort came from Jonas Hill, who was solid on the glass and chipped in with six points.

There have been a few players unable to dress due to health issues.

The team is without power forward Kyle Cooper (ankle), multi-position player Rylan Gwyn (ankle) and point guard Austin French (flu). Cooper and Gwyn are unlikely to return to the team until after the holidays, Longo said.

For all the notable individual performances, the team had eight of the 14 players register a point in the game. In addition to the offensive contributions,

the team was solid on defence, whether it was on the boards or in clogging the passing lanes.

"It was just a good team win," he said.



Red Hawks guard Owen Patterson-Smith attempts a reverse during Kawartha High School Basketball League action on Tuesday, Dec. 12.



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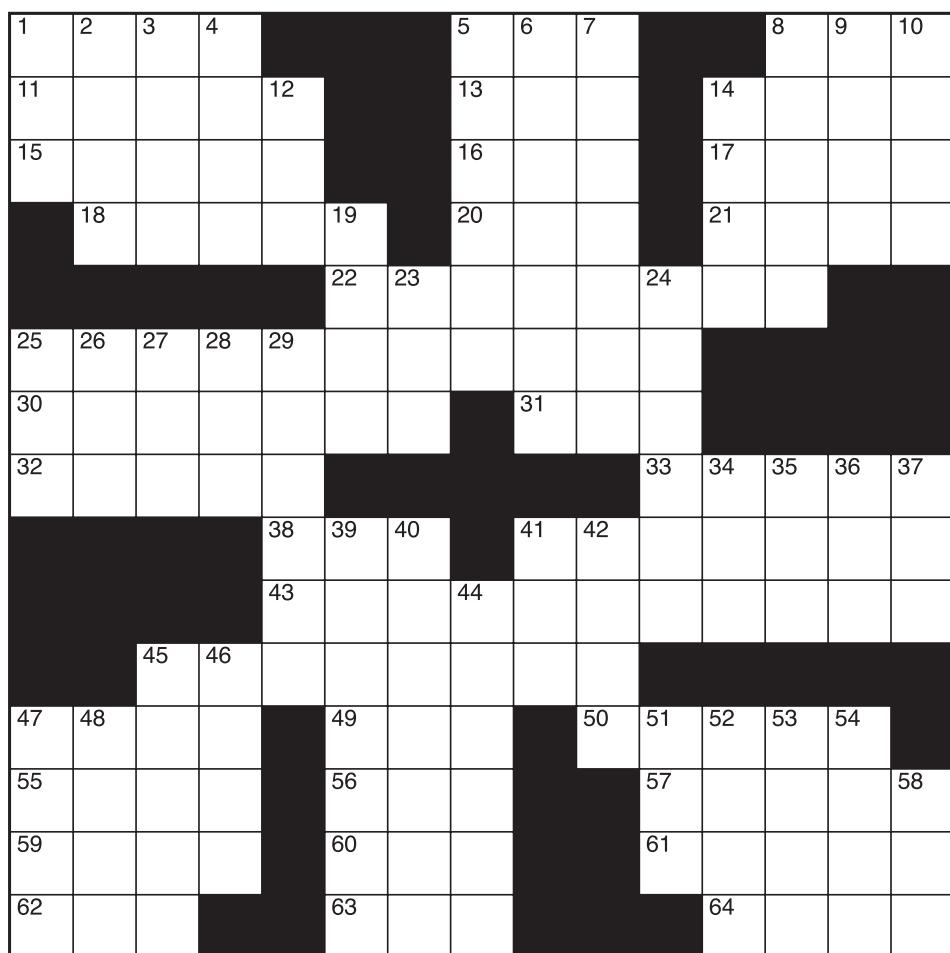
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- Much \_\_ about nothing
- Japanese city
- Atomic number 10
- Egyptian goddess
- Go places
- Having ten
- Complete
- Automotive belt
- Psyche
- Melodious bird
- Medical personnel
- Acquired
- Type of beverage
- Neither
- Spanish monetary units
- Small area of grass
- Your
- Diana \_\_, singer
- Salt's partner
- Made of wood
- No longer alive
- Alaskan island
- Wild animal's resting place
- Swiss river
- Partiality
- "Luther" actor Idris
- UNLV's "Runnin' \_\_"
- Criticize

Answers on page 18

# minor hockey

#### Tykes come home A finalists

On Dec. 16, the Tom Prentice & Sons Trucking Tykes travelled to Marmora to participate in the Centre Hastings Grizzlies Tyke Tournament.

The Storm outplayed Loyalist in Game 1, taking the game 15-0. Goals scored by Vanek Logan (3), Evan Perrott (3), Luke Gruppe (2), McCartney Saunders (2), Mason Latanville (2), Jack Tomlinson (1), Jaxen Casey (1), Easton Burk (1) and assists by Carter Braun (1), Casey (2), Burk (2), Logan (1), Tomlinson (1).

Game 2 the Storm faced Newcastle, which ended in 10-0. Goals scored by Logan (5), Gruppe (2), Ethan DeCarlo (1), Perrott (1), Burk (1) and assists by DeCarlo (2), Tomlinson (2), Matthew Scheffee (1), Zach Prentice (1), Logan (1), Gruppe (1), Latanville (1).

The Storm would then take on Centre Hastings, the host team in the A championship game. Goaltender Braun had a busy game, stopping many of the Grizzlies' shots. The lone Storm goal was scored by Logan and assisted by Latanville and Prentice. The final score of the game was 2-1, which was the Tykes' first loss of the season, however the team came home as the A Finalists and displayed great sportsmanship throughout the tournament.

Submitted by Jessica Tomlinson

#### Tough weekend for Bantam A team

This past weekend the Highland Storm Pepper Mill Steak and Pasta House Dollo's Foodland Bantam A participated in the Campbellford Hockey Tournament. Game 1 was versus the Douro Dukes. The Storm had the lead briefly on a Sam Hoenow goal but were humbled in a 10-1 loss to the Dukes.

The second game saw the Storm take on the host Campbellford Colts. There was good action in the first period however neither team got on the scoreboard. Storm goalie Nate Miscio continued to play solidly keeping the game scoreless going into the third period. It appeared Sam Hoenow put the Storm in the lead with under two minutes to go in the game however after a brief discussion the referees called off the goal indicating that it was done with a high stick much to the dismay of Storm fans. The Colts then scored what would turn out to be the game winner with only 26 seconds left in the game.

For the B final, the Storm faced off against the Millbrook Stars. Despite a strong effort the boys found themselves on the losing end of a 2-0 score.

Submitted by Gord Hoenow

#### Storm Peewees defeat Bears 11-4

On Saturday, Dec. 16 the JoAnne Sharpley's Source for Sports Haliburton Family Medical Centre Highland Storm Peewees travelled to Bracebridge to take on the South Muskoka Bears. The Storm were on the board first with a goal by Aiden Perrott assisted by Kyan Hall the Bears tied it up heading into the second.

The second period the Storm took control with Cooper Coles scoring assisted by Perrott and Hall then Perrott put in another unassisted and then Hutchinson scored assisted by Kaine Brannigan to put the Storm ahead 4-1. The Bears scored to cut the lead in half but the Storm came back with Perrott putting in another for the hat trick assisted by Hall.

The Storm had a 5-2 lead heading into the third and it was all Storm with Austin Boylan scoring unassisted then after being pulled down Perrott scored on a penalty shot then Hutchinson unassisted. Hall scored unassisted then Perrott scored assisted by Hall and Sawyer Boutin putting the Storm up 10-2. The Bears trying all they could managed to score two quick goals but the Storm netted another with

Brannigan scoring assisted by Hutchinson and Zander Upton to take the game 11-4. Good goaltending between the pipes by Taylor Consack. The Peewees' next game is in Oakwood to play the Mariposa Lightning on Thursday, Dec. 21. The Peewees would like to wish everyone a very happy holidays and a happy new year.

Submitted by Ron Hall

#### Atom A's to play Crusaders

The Cottage Country Building Supplies/Ridgewood Ford Highland Storm Atom A's travelled to Bracebridge to face the Bracebridge Bears. Unfortunately the Storm lost 4-1. Goal scored by Brechin Johnston and assisted by Addison Carr.

On Friday, Dec. 22, The Cottage Country Building Supplies/ Ridgewood Ford Highland Storm Atom A's will travel to Durham to face the Durham Crusaders.

On Saturday, Dec. 23, Atom A's will be hosting the Mariposa Lightning at 2 p.m. at the A.J. LaRue Arena.

Submitted by Amber Card

#### Atom 2 plays close game against Huntsville

On Saturday the Storm faced off against the Huntsville McDonald's Atoms on the Jack Bionda ice in Huntsville.

On this day the Storm would be in a tough situation as seven players and only two defence were able to make the trip. Olivia Gruppe stepped it up this week by patrolling the blue line. A new set of responsibilities and a lot of ice time, Gruppe quickly settled into her role alongside teammates Adam Davis and Toby Posti.

To start the game the Storm applied pressure keeping the puck in Huntsville's zone for a good portion of the first period. Owen Sisson's pursuit of the puck and Jacob Davis's ability to keep his feet moving through those small spaces were some of the reasons Huntsville had a hard time getting to the other end of the rink.

As the game wore on the short bench began to show its effects on the team. A couple of mental errors through the second period quickly ended up in the back of the Storm net. Andy Lippolis was both responsible in his own end and a force to be reckoned with against the boards in Huntsville end.

By the third period Huntsville's fresh legs and long bench was becoming a problem for the Storm. Eric Meuller and Layne Robinson at separate times both had clutch moments where they cleared the puck and relieved some of the Huntsville pressure. Jacob Lloyd had an outstanding game stopping 25 of the 30 shots fired his way.

The final score was 5-0 Huntsville, but this was not an accurate picture of how close this game this was.

Submitted by Jamie Lloyd

#### Atom AE ties Otters

On Dec. 16, the Highland Storm Atom AE team travelled to Huntsville to take on the Otters. Both teams were ready and battled for the puck. Neither team were able to score in the first period. In the second period it was the Otters that managed to score the first two goals of the game, but the Storm players fought back. In front of the net it was Jace Mills that won the battle to put the Highland Storm up on the scoreboard ending the second period.

Third period the Storm players gained momentum and were ready for the fight. With only a few minutes left of the game, Liam Harrison was standing at the net for the rebound shot and scoring the second goal tying the game 2-2. The Atom AE play Huntsville Otters after the holidays on Dec. 30 on home ice in Minden at the S.G. Nesbitt Arena at 12:30 p.m.

Submitted by Lisa Reinwald

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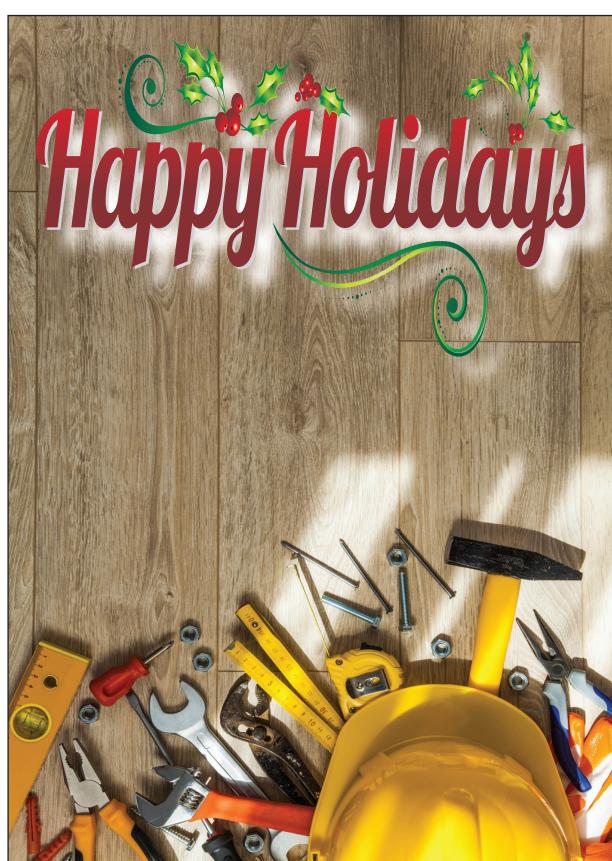
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### Haliburton Pastoral Charge, Christmas Eve Services

Joint Pastoral Charge Morning Service  
When: Sunday, Dec. 24, 10 a.m. singing, 10:30 a.m.  
service  
Where: Lochlin United Church, 1050 Lochlin Rd. Minden  
Joint Pastoral Charge Evening Service-Communion and Special Music  
When: Sunday, Dec. 24, 7 p.m.  
Where: Haliburton United Church

### Haliburton Pastoral Charge, New Years Eve Services

Morning Service-Joint Service for Ingoldsby and Lochlin United Churches  
When: Dec. 31, 9 a.m. singing, 9:30 a.m. service  
Where: Ingoldsby United Church, 1741 Ingoldsby Rd., Minden  
Contemporary Service  
When: Dec. 31, 11:15 a.m.  
Where: Haliburton United Church

### Legion Branch 624, Wilberforce

When: Dec. 31, 9 p.m. to close  
New Year's Eve Dance, DJ Mike  
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### Legion Branch 129, Haliburton

When: Saturday, Jan. 20, 4 to 7 p.m.  
Live entertainment featuring Jeff Moulton in the Club Room. Enjoy a delicious meal for only \$6 prepared by the Ladies Auxiliary. \$5 cover charge for non-members.

# Guilford residents represent

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**west guilford**  
*Eleanor Cooper*  
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Several Guilford residents contribute in various ways to the community they work for. Aaron Walker, one of McKeck's operating partners worked to hand over, along with Karen Frybort, a \$1,500 cheque to the Snowmobile Association to help the groomers and sledgers keep the trails repaired and open for another season.

Councillor Susan Norcross was on hand when the Out-

doors Association placed the memory stick in the granite rock at the fish hatchery, its 20th year, also the Haliburton Highlands 25th anniversary. It will be opened in 25 years time.

Congratulations to Barrie Martin on being awarded the Sustainable Tourism Award. He can be justly proud as well of last year's Tourism Champion of the Year. Barrie and his wife Pat, hosted an informal party on Dec. 9 in the evening to wish Pat well on her well earned retirement.

Euchre scores:

High: Perry and Kay Morrison

Low: Rod Smyth and Tina Hadley

Most Lone Hands: Robert McIvor and Shirley Johnston

# Essonville church filled with song

*community news*  
**wilberforce**  
*Hilda Clark*  
448-2018

They came to sing carols. And sing they did. The historic Essonville Church was filled with people who enjoyed singing many old favourite carols there on Sunday evening, Dec. 17.

This annual carol service was MCed by David Burton. The singing was led by Kerry Riley and Brenda Gallant and ably accompanied on the old pump organ by Janet (Simms) Carr.

Kerry and Brenda accompanied by Dan Riley on guitar captivated the audience with several selections – duets and solos.

Julie Thornton presented a brief history of the composer of the carol "We Three Kings" and then all sang it joyously. It was a fine evening of song.

Thanks to the committee who not only arranges this annual carol sing and other services, they keep this special place in good condition.

For more opportunities to sing check out local churches for service times.

At St. Margaret's a service of Lessons and Carols is at 11:30 Sunday the 24th and on Christmas Day it's Holy Communion at 10 a.m.

Further to last week's report on fill the OPP cruiser with groceries for the local food bank, we understand the cruiser was filled four times and more than \$450 was donated in cash Dec. 9. What great generosity.

Thanks to OPP constables, Wilberforce Foodland owners and staff, hard-working volunteers and donors.

The Wilberforce Elementary School concert is on Thursday afternoon, Dec. 21, at the community hall, the LWMC.

The diner here is closed for kitchen renovation starting Monday, Dec. 18 until Thursday Jan. 4.

It will then be closed on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays during the winter.

It will be missed. No eatery between Haliburton and Bancroft for months!

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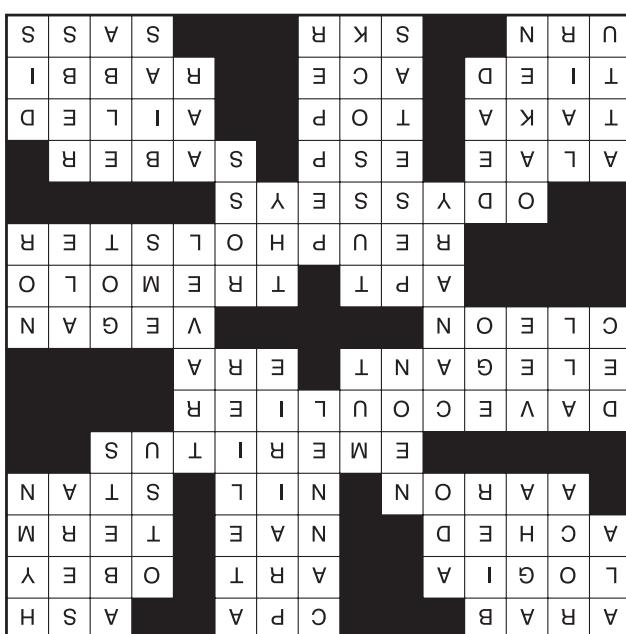
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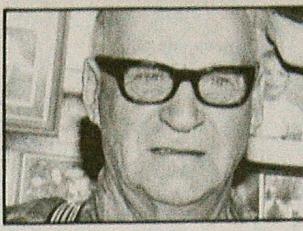
## INSIDE THE ECHO



Local school children have once again flexed their writing skills and help remind adults of the joys of the season. Photos and stories are in our special Christmas supplement.



The Haliburton Redmen team is on a winning streak, continued last Wednesday against Crestwood in a game at home. For details, see page 6.



Elgin Sedgwick had his fill of snow when he drove the Snowdon snow ploughs for 22 years. Now he likes working in his sawmill. For details, see page 8.

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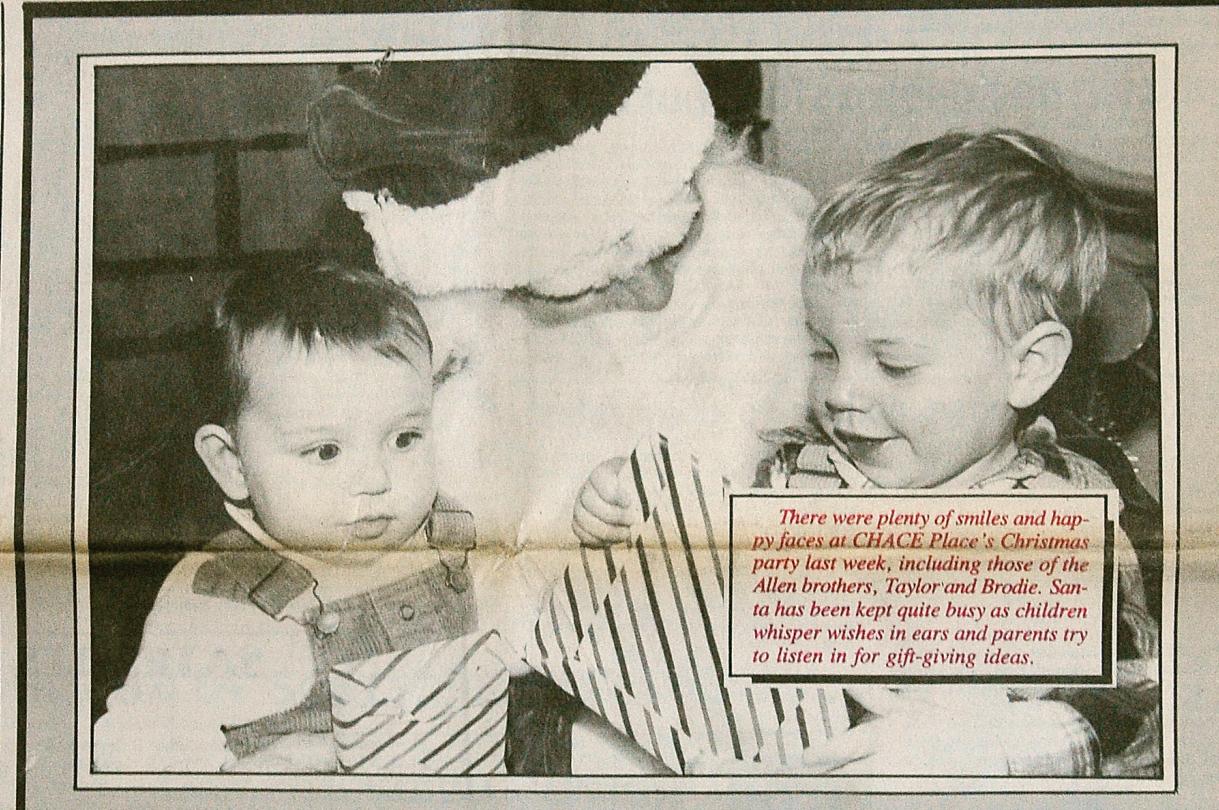
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MERRY CHRISTMAS

This special Christmas edition of The Echo is the final one for 1987. As in past years, there will be no newspaper published between Christmas and New Years so our staff can enjoy a brief holiday with their families.

The next issue of The Echo will be published Wednesday, January 6, and our normal Monday deadlines for classified and display advertising will apply.

May we take this opportunity to wish all of our readers a safe, happy and memorable holiday season. Merry Christmas from The Echo staff: Len Pizley, Creighton Feir, Debbie Bates, Sandra Bishop, Martha Perkins, Aileen Bruce and John Henderson. See you in '88!



There were plenty of smiles and happy faces at CHACE Place's Christmas party last week, including those of the Allen brothers, Taylor and Brodie. Santa has been kept quite busy as children whisper wishes in ears and parents try to listen in for gift-giving ideas.

## County asks province to study art school potential

by MARTHA PERKINS  
Staff reporter

To guarantee the full recreational and cultural potential of Haliburton County can be realized, a special committee is recommending a study be done exploring the possibility of building a top-class educational centre for arts and outdoor disciplines. And if a previous response from the Minister of Municipal Affairs, John Eakins, is something to go by, that study may be heading towards its first step early in the new year.

Carol Puffer, Doug Hodgson, Carole Finn, Haddyn Gillespie, and

Curtis Eastmure, with Barb Bolin as a resource person, have prepared a report for county council outlining the needs and benefits of developing the educational and artistic resources already found in the county, such as the School of Fine Arts, a strong Guild of Fine Arts, art galleries, museums, professional cross country ski trails, expert kayaking facilities and downhill skiing.

"The location of Haliburton as a centre for education provides a rural, natural setting that is in contrast to the urbanization of our world," they write of the more lofty ideals of such a centre. "This provides the

developing artist with a source of inspiration for his work not available through city life. Studies suggest that there will be a decline in values related to materialism, capitalism and unequalized economic growth. In their place will be values emphasizing the quality of life, self-actualization, creativity, individualism and humanitarianism."

Yet on a more practical level, an educational centre in Haliburton would also be one of the only places in Canada where fledgling artists would be able to improve their skills beyond the limited resources offered in public schools and the latent development to be found in a college

environment. "It has long been apparent to educators, master-craftsmen and students alike that young craftsmen in Canada are being deprived of the opportunity to progress through education, beyond

the beginning stage.

"There is, therefore, a real need for at least one more integrated school where one may begin and develop a comprehensive education

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## McCausland county warden

Glamorgan reeve Bob McCausland has been named county warden for 1988. County councillors made the decision last Tuesday night at a council's annual 'inaugural' meeting.

McCausland, an 11 year veteran of Glamorgan council, made it

known to other county councillors more than a month ago that he would seek the warden's chair, and his bid was unopposed.

The Glamorgan reeve underwent heart transplant surgery a year ago. He received a second new heart

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## Santa's evil nemesis was a fearful sight

by MARTHA PERKINS  
Staff Reporter

IT WASN'T just the fear of finding a potato in her stocking which made Leo Dobrzensky remember that only good girls were rewarded at Christmas time. For in her native Czechoslovakia, just as it was in many other Eastern European countries, when Santa Claus arrived to give goodies to the children, the dark shadow of the devil was always lurking behind him, ready to snatch any ill-behaved children and carry them away in his sack.

Every December 6th, St. Nicholas and his evil counterpart made their way through the village, stopping at each house to give the children their special treats, if they were good, or to threaten to whisk them away if they were bad. The children were all eagerly awaiting their arrival (or St. Nicholas's at least) and one Christmas, Mrs. Dobrzensky's hus-

band John was known to say: "I don't know why the devil is coming because I was a good boy."

The next morning, even if they had somehow missed St. Nicholas's arrival, each child would find a stocking at the end of their bed filled with nuts, apples and candy.

But St. Nicholas wasn't considered the main gift-giver, and it was not to the North Pole that children addressed their Christmas wish-lists, Mrs. Dobrzensky says. "The children believe it is Baby Jesus who is coming to bring the presents," and so all letters were sent to this Christmas Child. (When it came to choosing gifts for their own family, children were not allowed to go to the store to buy presents and had to make them instead.)

By separating the arrival of St. Nicholas from the birth of Baby Jesus, Christmas day was indeed one of spirituality, and if you went to church one day a year, that day was December 25th. Most people

were Catholic and during the Advent before Christmas day, many would attend the special masses at church, preparing themselves for the most important service on Christmas Eve.

## Fasting

The day, December 24th, would begin with fasting, each child being told that if they didn't eat before the evening meal, they would see the golden pig. "You would not eat any meat or very much food that day," and in the afternoon, the children would have to take a nap so they wouldn't be tired during the midnight mass.

If the time leading up to the Christmas feast was one of quiet for the children, then the opposite could be said for the adults, especially the women who stayed in the kitchen all day preparing the most important meal of the year.

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Sunday, December 24, 2017  
**Christmas Eve at St. George's, Haliburton**  
 Lessons and Carols, 9:30 a.m.  
 Chaotic Family Service, 4:30 p.m.  
 Carol Singing, 8:00 p.m.  
 Service begins at 8:30 p.m.

**Christmas Morning Services**  
 St. Margaret's, Wilberforce, 10:00 a.m.  
 St. George's, Haliburton, 10:30 a.m.

**Regular Service Times**  
 St. George's, Haliburton - Sunday, 9:30 a.m.  
 St. Margaret's, Wilberforce - Sunday, 11:15 a.m.

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Thank you for your faithfulness to us, your friends, family and the whole community.

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**Christmas Season 2017**

**Solemnity of Christmas**  
**Christmas Eve**  
 Haliburton - Sunday December 24th at 10:00 pm  
 Bancroft - Sunday December 24th at 7:30 pm

**Christmas Day**  
 Haliburton - Monday December 25th at 8:30 am  
 Bancroft - Monday December 25th at 11:00 am

**Solemnity of Mary, The Mother of God**  
**New Year's Eve**  
 Haliburton - Sunday December 31st at 4:30 pm

**New Year's Day**  
 Bancroft - Monday January 1st at 9:00 am

**Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord**  
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**Christmas Eve Dec 24**

10:00 am at Lochlin United Church,  
 1050 Lochlin Road, Lochlin  
 7:00 pm at Haliburton United Church,  
 10 George Street, Haliburton

**New Year's Eve Dec 31**

9:00 am at Ingoldsby United Church,  
 1741 Ingoldsby Road, Ingoldsby  
 11:15 am Contemporary Service  
 at Haliburton United Church,  
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## Health Unit Holiday Hours

The Health Unit office will be closed for the holiday season on:  
 December 25, 26, 27 and  
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The families of the late Marilyn (Lynn) Watson and I would like to express our sincere thanks and appreciation to the nurses and medical staff at ICU at the Kingston General Hospital.

Thank you to Dwaine and Lori Lloyd of the Haliburton Community Funeral Home for all your assistance with arrangements and formalities.

To everyone near and far who expressed love and caring by sending flowers, cards, prayers, emails, food, all the donations in Marilyn's name, my deepest appreciations.

Del Watson

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*Our thoughts go wandering,  
 When daylight fades.  
 To the land of long ago.  
 And memory paints the scenes of old,  
 In the gold of the twilight glow.  
 We seem to see in the soft dim light,  
 The faces we loved the best,  
 And think of them when the sun's last ray,  
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**Robert Burns**  
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### Visitation, Funeral Service & Reception

Friends were invited to call at the **HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME** 13523 Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario (705) 457-9209 on Monday morning, December 18, 2017 for Funeral Service in the Chapel at 11 o'clock. (Visitation was one hour prior). As expressions of sympathy, donations to Extendicare - Proud Pioneers would be appreciated by the family.

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### In Loving Memory of

## Katherine "Kathy" Elizabeth Magee (nee Schmidt)

February 26, 1946-December 12, 2017

Proud Employee of Kawartha Dairy for 37 years and she loved her Kawartha Dairy Family.

Passed away peacefully at the Peterborough Regional Health Centre on Tuesday, December 12, 2017. At the age of 71.

Loved wife of the late David. (2014). Adored Momma and Best Friend to Debbie (Earl) Bull, Lori (Scott) Hamilton. Cherished Nana to Cory, (Melissa), Andrew, (Lindsay), Jesse, Graham and Great Nana to Kelsey, Hailey, Bently, and Jasper. Loved sister of Jackie (Doug) Cronberry and sister-in-law of Danny (Sue) Magee. Sadly missed by her many Nieces and Nephews.

Friends are invited to visit the family at the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., 127 Bobcaygeon Road, P.O. Box 427, Minden, K0M 2K0 on Monday, December 18, 2017 from 11:00 am until the time of the Service to Celebrate Kathy's Life at 1:00 pm. Reception to follow in the Monk-Cray Family Centre at the Funeral Home. Cremation has taken place



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Memorial Donations to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation (HHHSF), Canadian Cancer Society, or to the Charity of your Choice would be appreciated by the family and can be arranged through the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., P.O. Box 427, Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0.



**Doris Adeline Watterworth (nee Johnston)**  
(Resident of Toronto, Ontario)

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### Visitation, Funeral Service & Reception

The family will receive friends at the **HUMPHREY FUNERAL HOME A.W. MILES - NEWBIGGING CHAPEL**, 1403 Bayview Avenue (south of Davisville Avenue) from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. on Wednesday evening, December 20, 2017. Then to the **HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME** 13523 Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario (705) 457-9209 on Friday morning, December 22, 2017 for Funeral Service in the Chapel at 11 o'clock. (Visitation one hour prior). Interment later Evergreen Cemetery. As expressions of sympathy, donations to the CNIB or the Kidney Foundation of Canada would be appreciated by the family.

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**Richard "Rick" Morley**  
(Resident of Haliburton, Ontario)

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### Celebration of Life & Reception

Funeral arrangements are incomplete at this time. We invite you to check back later with us. As expressions of sympathy, donations to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services would be appreciated by the family. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the **HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME** 13523 Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario (705) 457-9209

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